



BOARD BULLETIN

August 9, 2013

Employee Wellness Clinic - Update

Back in mid June the Board approved the reallocation of resources within the Group Health Insurance Fund to implement an on-site worksite wellness clinic staffed by a contracted nurse practitioner.

At the time the Board made the decision, staff was still evaluating requests for proposals from two (2) outside providers. These providers were Stanly Regional Medical Center and Triad Care.

Triad Care proposed a clinic for 16 hours per week for 50 weeks per year at an annual cost of \$96,000. This equates to a fee of \$120 per hour. This fee does not include any direct or indirect expense the County would incur to set-up equipment and a scheduling system for appointments.

Stanly Regional Medical Center, via its existing nurse practitioner contract with the Health Dept., proposed a per visit rate not to exceed \$23 with an average of 12 appt. slots per day, 5 days per week. The total annual cost under this scenario is roughly \$67,000.

Based on a review of the proposals, staff is moving forward with expanding the scope of its contract with Stanly Regional Medical Center to include nurse practitioner services for an employee wellness clinic.

There will be inherent efficiencies realized by using the Health Department's existing space, equipment, scheduling software, etc. A tentative start date for the clinic has been established for Tuesday, October 1.

Human Resources will be coordinating with the Health Dept. to host open-house events at the clinic in advance of October 1 so employees will have an opportunity to view the facilities, ask questions and get a better understanding of the appointment setting process.

Given the average County cost for a standard primary care physician visit is \$100, the not to exceed cost of \$23 has the potential to significantly decrease the County's direct health insurance expenses. Additionally, due to the convenience of the on-site clinic, the County should realize the indirect benefit of decreased absenteeism.

Graduation Rate Data

The NC Dept. of Public Instruction recently released the 4-year cohort graduation data for 2012-2013. The 4-year cohort data captures the graduation rates of those students entering 9th grade in 2009-2010 and completing their requirements for graduation by 2012-2013. Below please find a summary of Stanly County's data in comparison to other school systems in the region and last year's results:

School System (LEA)	2012-2013 Rate	2011-2012 Rate
Union	90.8%	89.5%
Randolph	88.9%	83.7%
Cabarrus	86.5%	86.3%
Montgomery	85.3%	80.5%
Davidson	85.2%	82.5%
Rowan-Salisbury	82.9%	81.1%
Stanly	82.3%	81.2%
Anson	77.4%	73.8%

2013 Revaluation - Update

Below please find a summary of activity over the past 30 days:

- The filing period to appeal to the NC Property Tax Commission (PTC) ended on Monday, July 8, 2013.
- A total of six (6) property owners (includes both residential and commercial) filed an appeal of their 2013 tax value to the PTC.

If their appeals are successful it will decrease the County's tax base by approximately \$10 million which equates to \$67,000 in revenue at the current tax rate.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Regular Board Meeting	Monday, August 12 7:00 PM Commons Meeting Room
Stanly COG Meeting	Tuesday, August 27 6:30 PM Red Cross Baptist Church